

Concept plans for four Milwaukie Neighborhood parks developed with community input

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North Clackamas Parks & Recreation District (NCPRD) and the City of Milwaukie are partnering to plan and develop the parks, which are currently known as Balfour, Bowman-Brae, Robert Kronberg and Wichita parks. While funding to build the parks is not currently available, community input will help shape the concepts for the future parks.

The refined concept plans for the four Milwaukie parks that were developed this fall can be viewed at: <http://ncprd.com/planning/four-future-parks-milwaukie>.

ABOUT THE PARKS:

Balfour Park is a .8-acre, undeveloped neighborhood park site located in the Ardenwald/Johnson Creek neighborhood at 3103 S.E. Balfour St. in Milwaukie. The City of Milwaukie purchased the land in 2008 with funds from Metro's voter-approved 2006 natural areas bond measure.

Bowman-Brae Park is a .69-acre undeveloped neighborhood park located at the intersection of Bowman and Brae streets in Milwaukie. The City of Milwaukie purchased the land in 2011 with funds from Metro's voter-approved 2006 natural areas bond measure.

Robert Kronberg Park is approximately 5 acres located between Kellogg Lake and McLoughlin Boulevard, just south of downtown Milwaukie. The property includes land deeded to the City in 1991 by Robert Kronberg and his wife Dena Swanson and land purchased by the City of Milwaukie with funds from Metro's voter-approved 1995 natural areas bond measure. Current light rail construction includes a bridge spanning a portion of the lake and park site. NCPRD staff and community members have worked together to enhance the natural resources of the property over the past six years, including reestablishing native trees and removing trash and weeds.

Wichita Park is a 1-acre undeveloped neighborhood park site located in the Linwood neighborhood at 5908 S.E. Monroe Street in Milwaukie. This property currently has an open lawn area with a few trees planted by neighborhood volunteers. The master plan for the park includes a play structure, a perimeter path, picnic tables, benches and a disk golf basket. It was adopted into the Milwaukie Comprehensive Plan in 1999. Updates to the

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Wichita Park Master Plan were made in 2011 by the Linwood Neighborhood Association with assistance from consultants and approved by the Milwaukie Planning Commission in May. This project will include developing initial plans for construction.

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